Posting of Chief Executives in NTC subsidiaries

2956. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Textile Corporation Limited has recently cleared and posted certain officials for the posts of Chief Executives in its various subsidiaries;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of those who have already been posted or given clearance for such postings during the months of October and November, 1985 alongwith the details of dates of interviews and selection;

(c) what was the necessity of holding interviews again in the end of November 1985 at Delhi against advertisements in the details recently; and

(d) the total cost incurred by the Directors of various subsidiaries for attending the interview on the 29th November, 1985?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) and (b) The Public Enterprises Selection Board had recommended a panel of 8 names in February, 1984 for the post of CMDs in NTC Subsidiaries. Government have recently cleared the names of the following persons, from the select panel drawn by PESB, for appointment as Chairman-Cum-Managing Directors of the respective Subsidiary Corporations:—

1. Shri R.C. Dalal has been appointed as CMD of NTC (Gujarat) Ltd., Ahmedabad we.f. 18-11-1985;

2. Shri N.R. Mathur has been appointed as CMD of NTC (DPR) Limited, New Delhi w.e.f. 22-11-1985;

3. Shri G.K. Roya has been offered the appointment as CMD, NTC (WBABO) Limited, Calcutta on 28-11-1985.

(c) To fill up the existing and future vacancies, interviews were held in November, 1985 to prepare a fresh Panel.

(d) An expenditure of Rs. 12,548 was incurred as travelling expenses by 9 Functional Directors, who attended the interview on 29-11-1985.

Realisation of income-tax Etc., from Rajneesth foundation

2957. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Rajneesh Foundation at Pune and its Jeevan Jagriti Kendra have never paid Income-tax, wealth-tax, etc. and if so, how much arrears have piled against them;

(b) whether any action has been taken against the concerned persons; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) who are the trustees of Jeevan Jagriti Kendra and Rajneesh Foundation and whether any action for tax evasion has been taken; if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) Demands outstanding against Rajneesh Foundation as on 30-9-1985 stood as under:—

Income-tax: Rs. 3,57,74,000|-

Wealth-tax: Rs 16,77,000|-.

Rs. 23 lakhs were recovered by the Department by attaching bank accounts and Rs. 6,75,000 were recovered by attaching the rent payable by Rajneesh Dham. Further, all movable and immovable properties of the Rajneesh Foundation have been attached.

(c) Following are the trustees of Rajneesh Foundation:—

(1) Swamy Prem Asang

(2) Swamy Krishna Tirth Bharti

(3) Swamy Ishwar Chaitanya

(4) Ms. Antar Shunya

(5) Swami Kailash Goswami

No proceedings had been initiated for tax evasion. The demand raised is on acount of refusal of registration under section 12(A) of the income-tax Act, 1961. Recently, Department filed FIR with Police Authorities for production of forged documents purported to have been issued by the Central Board of Direct Taxes granting exemption under section 10(23C) (iv) of the Income-tax Act, 1961.